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RE: Petition by KMC Telecom III LLC, KMC Telecom, V., Inc. and KMC Data LLC for Arbitration of an Interconnection Agreement with United Telephone Company of the Carolinas, Pursuant to Section 252(b) of the Communications Act of 1934, as Amended

Docket No. 2004-147-C, ELS File No. 803-10244

Dear Mr. Dorn:

On behalf of KMC Telecom III LLC, KMC Telecom, V., Inc. and KMC Data LLC (collectively "KMC"), and per S.C. Code § 58-3-225(E), I am withdrawing KMC's Petition for Arbitration, without prejudice to the refiling of same. It is my understanding that United Telephone Company of the Carolinas concurs that KMC's withdrawal is without prejudice.

By copy of this letter, I am serving all parties of record and enclosed my certificate of service to that effect.

Should you have any questions concerning this matter, please contact me.

With kind regards,

John Pringle, Jr.

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cc: Andrew M. Klein, Esquire all parties of record

BEFORE THE SOUTH CAROLINA PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION DOCKET NO. 2004-147-C

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This is to certify that I have caused to be served this date, one (1) copy of the Letter to The Honorable George N. Dorn, Jr. via first-class and electronic mail service addressed as follows:

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Columbia, South Carolina August 17, 2004